

SERVING THE TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY: LAYERED IDENTITY AND THE IMPORTANCE OF EMPATHY

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Session Description:

In this session, author and award winning speaker Nate Cannon will infuse education and experience to discuss layered identity and the complexities of transitioning as a person living not only with mental illness, but with a painful and progressive neurological disorder. The lecture based session will address current challenges to care in a correctional setting and explore best practices for working with transgender individuals while drawing from evidence based practices within psychology, sociology, occupational therapy, and neurology. From gender dysphoria and suicide to marathon triumphs of human endurance, Nate’s powerful story of hope and recovery will both educate and inspire all those who identify with or work with the LGBTQ community, co-occurring disorders, or medically complex cases

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